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In re Application of:
Chappa et al:
For Serial No. 10/028,518

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For: **REAGENT AND ETHOD FOR PROVIDING COATINGS ON
SUFACES**

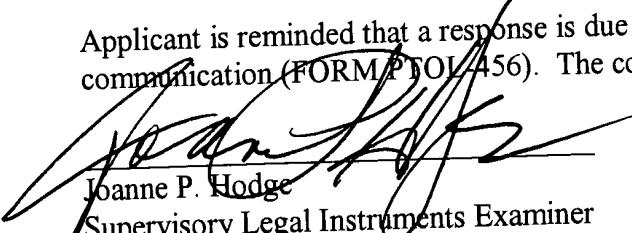
This is a decision on the REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION filed July 31, 2002, responding to the communication (FORM PTOL-456) mailed June 21, 2002.

The request has been **DENIED** to the extent indicated below.

42 U.S.C. 2182 states in part "... useful in the production **or utilization of special nuclear material or atomic energy**". A review of the application file history reveals among other things the use of a radioactive labeled as disclosed in at least page 43 of the instant specification. Therefore under the directions from the Department of Energy (DOE) this application has been made available to them under 42 U.S.C. 2182 since the following subject matter relates to at least one of the following:

- G. Materials, apparatus and methods concerning isotope and/or radioactive source technology including those utilizing (including responsive to) radioactive sources in:
 - a. Life Sciences such as medicine (diagnostic and therapeutic), ecology, disease and pest control, animal husbandry, etc.
 - b. Industrial processes such as food processing, sterilization, polymer production, etc.
 - c. Investigations of the environment or the earth
- H. Instruments employing a radioactive source and/or radioactivity detector in the operation thereof.

Applicant is reminded that a response is due within forty-five days of the mailing date of the communication (FORM PTOL-456). The communication having been mailed June 21, 2002.


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DECISION ON
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